**American Pageant Study Guide Focus Questions**

**Unit 1A- Chapters 2 – 4**

**\*\*This assignment is NOT required!!!! It is just to help focus your reading!!**

**CHAPTER 2: THE PLANTING OF ENGLISH AMERICA: 1500—1733**

**England's Imperial Stirrings**

Know: Henry VIII, Queen Elizabeth, Catholic Ireland

Why was England slow to establish New World colonies?

**Elizabeth Energizes England**

Know: Francis Drake, Sir Walter Raleigh, Virginia, Spanish Armada

What steps from 1575-1600 brought England closer to colonizing the New World?

**England on the Eve of Empire**

Know: Enclosure Movement, Primogeniture, Joint-stock company

Explain how conditions in England around 1600 made it "ripe" to colonize N. America.

**England Plants the Jamestown Seedling**

Know: Virginia Company, Jamestown, John Smith, Powhatan, Pocahontas, Starving Time, Lord De La Warr

Give at least three reasons that so many of the Jamestown settlers died.

**Cultural Clash in the Chesapeake**

Know: Powhatan's Confederacy, Anglo-Powhatan Wars

What factors led to the poor relations between Europeans and Native Americans in Virginia?

**Virginia: Child of Tobacco**

Know: John Rolfe, Tobacco, House of Burgesses

"By 1620 Virginia had already developed many of the features that were important to it two centuries later." Explain.

**Maryland: Catholic Haven**

Know: Lord Baltimore, Indentured Servants, Act of Toleration

In what ways was Maryland different than Virginia?

**The West Indies: Way Station to Mainland America**

Know: West Indies, Sugar, Barbados Slave Code

What historical consequences resulted from the cultivation of sugar instead of tobacco in the British colonies in the West Indies?

**Colonizing the Carolinas**

Know: Oliver Cromwell, Charles II, Rice

Why did Carolina become a place for aristocratic whites and many black slaves?

**The Emergence of North Carolina**

Know: Tuscarora

North Carolina was called "a vale of humility between two mountains of conceit." Explain.

**Late-Coming Georgia: The Buffer Colony**

Know: James Oglethorpe

In what ways was Georgia unique among the Southern colonies?

**Makers of America: The Iroquois**

Know: The Iroquois Confederacy, Deganawidah, Hiawatha, Five Nations, Handsome Lake

**The Plantation Colonies**

Which Southern colony was the most different from the others? Explain.

**CHAPTER 3: SETTLING THE NORTHERN COLONIES: 1619—1700**

**The Protestant Reformation Produces Puritanism**

Know: John Calvin, Conversion Experience, Visible Saints, Church of England, Puritans, Separatists

How did John Calvin's teachings result in some Englishmen wanting to leave England?

**The Pilgrims End Their Pilgrimage at Plymouth**

Know: Mayflower, Myles Standish, Mayflower Compact, Plymouth, William Bradford

Explain the factors that contributed to the success of the Plymouth colony.

**The Bay Colony Bible Commonwealth**

Know: Puritans, Charles I, Massachusetts Bay Colony, Great Migration, John Winthrop

Why did the Puritans come to America?

**Building the Bay Colony**

Know: Freemen, Bible Commonwealth, John Cotton, Protestant Ethic

How democratic was the Massachusetts Bay Colony? Explain.

**Trouble in the Bible Commonwealth**

Know: Anne Hutchinson, Antinomianism, Roger Williams

What happened to people whose religious beliefs differed from others in Massachusetts Bay Colony?

**The Rhode Island "Sewer"**

Know: Freedom of Religion

How was Rhode Island different than Massachusetts?

**Makers of America: The English**

32. In what ways did the British North American colonies reflect their mother country?

**New England Spreads Out**

Know: Thomas Hooker, Fundamental Orders

Describe how Connecticut, Maine and New Hampshire were settled.

**Puritans versus Indians**

Know: Squanto, Massasoit, Pequot War, Praying Towns, Metacom, King Philip's War

Why did hostilities arise between Puritans and Native Americans? What was the result?

**Seeds of Colonial Unity and Independence**

Know: New England Confederation, Charles II

Assess the following statement, "The British colonies were beginning to grow closer to each other by 1700."

**Andros Promotes the First American Revolution**

Know: Dominion of New England, Navigation Laws, Edmund Andros, Glorious Revolution, William and Mary, Salutary Neglect

How did events in England affect the New England colonies' development?

**Old Netherlanders at New Netherlands**

Know: Dutch East India Company, Henry Hudson, New Amsterdam, Patroonships

Explain how settlement by the Dutch led to the type of city that New York is today.

**Friction with English and Swedish Neighbors**

Know: Wall Street, New Sweden, Peter Stuyvesant, Log Cabins

"Vexations beset the Dutch company-colony from the beginning." Explain

**Dutch Residues in New York**

Know: Duke of York

Do the Dutch have an important legacy in the United States? Explain

**Penn's Holy Experiment in Pennsylvania**

Know: Quakers, William Penn

What had William Penn and other Quakers experienced that would make them want a colony in America?

**Quaker Pennsylvania and Its Neighbors**

Know: East New Jersey, West New Jersey, Delaware

Why was Pennsylvania attractive to so many Europeans and Native Americans?

**The Middle Way in the Middle Colonies**

Know: Middle Colonies, Benjamin Franklin

What do the authors mean when the say that the middle colonies were the most American?

**CHAPTER 4: AMERICAN LIFE IN THE SEVENTEENTH CENTURY: 1607—1692**

**The Unhealthy Chesapeake**

"Life in the American wilderness was nasty, brutish, and short for the earliest Chesapeake settlers." Explain.

**The Tobacco Economy**

Know: Tobacco, Indentured Servants, Freedom Dues, Headright System

What conditions in Virginia made the colony right for the importation of indentured servants?

**Frustrated Freemen and Bacon's Rebellion**

Know: William Berkeley, Nathaniel Bacon

Who is most to blame for Bacon's rebellion, the upper class or the lower class? Explain.

**Colonial Slavery**

Know: Royal African Company, Middle Passage, Slave Codes, Chattel Slavery

Describe the slave trade.

**Africans in America**

Know: Gullah, Stono Rebellion

Describe slave culture and contributions.

**Makers of America: From African to African-American**

"And precisely because of the diversity of African peoples represented in America, the culture that emerged was a uniquely New World creation." Explain.

**Southern Society**

Know: Plantations, Yeoman Farmers

Describe southern culture in the colonial period, noting social classes.

# The New England Family

Know: *The Scarlet Letter*

What was it like to be a woman in New England?

**Life in the New England Towns**

Know: Harvard, Town Meetings

Explain the significance of New England towns to the culture there.

**The Half-Way Covenant and the Salem Witch Trial**

Know: Jeremiad, Conversions, Half-Way Covenant

What evidence shows that New England was becoming more diverse as the 17th century wore on?

**The New England Way of Life**

Know: Yankee Ingenuity

How did the environment shape the culture of New England?

**The Early Settlers' Days and Ways**

Know: Leisler's Rebellion

How much equality was evident in the colonies?